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In re Application of: ) Art Unit: 1637  
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For: CATIONIC DYE COMPOUND ) Confirmation No. 2977  
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**AMENDMENT**

Customer Window, Mail Stop Amendment  
Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
Customer Service Window  
Randolph Building, Mail Stop Amendment  
401 Dulany Street  
Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

Replying to the Office Action mailed November 21, 2008, please amend as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.